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REMARKS

The specification has been amended to include a first paragraph that recites the priority data claimed when the subject application was filed. Applicant maintains that the amendment to the specification does not raise an issue of new matter. Accordingly, entry of the amendment is respectfully requested.

Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement

This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed to supplement the Information Disclosure Statement filed on May 31, 2006 in connection with the subject application.

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, applicant would like to direct the Examiner's attention to the eighteen references that are listed on enclosed Forms PTO/SB/08A-B (2 pages). Copies of the non-patent references were previously submitted to the Patent Office during prosecution of U.S. Patent Application No. 10/725,965, from which the subject application claims priority. Accordingly, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), copies of previously submitted references are not included with this Information Disclosure Statement. Non-English language Reference numbers 10-12 on the enclosed Forms were cited in an Official Communication issued in patent family member European Patent Application EP 04 025 035.9

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Applicant is submitting the subject Supplemental Information Disclosure

Statement pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3) before the mailing of a first Office Action

on the merits. Accordingly, no fee is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of

this Preliminary Amendment and Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.

However, if any fee is required in connection with this submission or to maintain the

pendency of the subject application, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount

of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 01-1785.

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